Stephen Coulter Chairman, Scituate Housing Authority

Scituate Community Preservation Committee 600 Chief Justice Cushing Highway Scituate, MA 02066 Attn: Gary Meyerson Chair

RE: Affordable Housing Trust Funding

Dear Gary and CPC Board,

As Chair of the Scituate Housing Authority, I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation, on behalf of my board and the Housing Authority for the support that the Scituate Affordable Housing Trust has provided, without which, we would not have been able to achieve the progress we have.

The AHT, under the leadership of Chairman, Steve Irish has been an integral partner with the SHA in the expansion of affordable housing in Scituate. The AHT was the initial funding source for the conceptual engineering and legal review that was necessary for the creation of the RFP which sought developers to partner with SHA to create what we now know as Lawson Green Apartments. The AHT also was extremely supportive in pledging funding support of \$600,000 for the project, again, without which the project could not be financially viable.

Through the creation of the AHT, it has been possible for projects to be funded quickly and efficiently and I highly recommend the continued financial support of the CPC to allow the AHT to fulfill its mission in supporting affordable housing in Scituate.

Best Regards,

Stephen Coulter

Scituate Housing Authority - Chairman